

## Contribution Limits to State Office Candidates

A state executive or legislative office candidate is prohibited from accepting aggregate contributions exceeding the following amounts:

Source of Contribution	To State Executive Candidates	To Legislative Candidates
Individual	\$1,400 <sup>1</sup>	\$700 <sup>1</sup>
Union or Business	1,400 <sup>1</sup>	700 <sup>1</sup>
Political Action Committee	1,400 <sup>1</sup>	700 <sup>1</sup>
State Party Central Committee	.70/voter <sup>2</sup>	.70/voter <sup>2</sup>
County Party Central Committee	.35/voter <sup>3</sup>	.35/voter <sup>4</sup>
Legislative District Committee	.35/voter <sup>3</sup>	.35/voter <sup>4</sup>
Minor Party Committee	.70/voter <sup>5</sup>	.70/voter <sup>5</sup>
Legislative Caucus Committee	.70/voter <sup>5</sup>	.70/voter <sup>5</sup>

1 This is a per election limit; each primary, general and special election is considered a separate election. This limit does not apply to the candidate using personal funds to give to his or her own campaign. The limit does apply to the candidate's spouse.

**Primary election contributions must be made on or before the date of the primary unless a candidate lost the primary and has debt to retire.** Contributors may continue to make contributions to a candidate who loses the primary election and has insufficient funds to pay debts outstanding until the debt is retired or 30 days after the primary, whichever comes first.

**General election contributions must be made no later than November 30 of the election year.**

During the 21 days before the general election, no candidate for legislative office may contribute to his or her own campaign more than \$5,000 in the aggregate, and no candidate for state executive office may contribute to his or her own campaign more than \$50,000 in the aggregate.

2 The limit amount of \$.70 times the number of registered voters in the jurisdiction (as of the last general election) is for the entire election cycle. The election cycle is from December 1 after the last election for the office or the start of the candidate's campaign -- whichever is later -- through November 30 of the election year in which election is sought. Contributions must be made no later than November 30 of the election year.

3 During the election cycle (defined in #2 above), all county central committees and legislative district committees in the state share a combined limit to each candidate of \$.35 times the number of registered voters statewide as of the last general election. (However, during the 21 days before the general election, neither a county central committee nor a legislative district committee may give a state executive office candidate more than \$50,000 in the aggregate.) Contributions must be made no later than November 30 of the election year.

4 County central and legislative district committees may only give to legislative candidates running for office in their jurisdictions. During the election cycle (defined in #2 above), a legislative district committee, in conjunction with all county central committees in that district, share a combined per candidate limit of \$.35 times the number of registered voters in the legislative district as of the last general election. (However, during the 21 days before the general, neither a county central committee nor a legislative district committee may give a legislative candidate more than \$5,000 in the aggregate.) Contributions must be made no later than November 30 of the election year.

5 The limit amount is for the entire election cycle. The election cycle is from December 1 after the last election for the office or the start of the candidate's campaign -- whichever is later -- through November 30 of the year in which election is sought. (However, during the 21 days before the general, a caucus political committee may not give a state executive candidate more than \$50,000 in the aggregate or a legislative candidate more than \$5,000 in the aggregate.) Contributions must be made no later than November 30 of the election year.